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Ms. Patty Van Gerpen
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
500 East Capital Avenue
Pierre, SD 57501

Re: Sprint Communications Company L.P.
Filing to existing Docket #: TC 07-091

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

Sprint Communications Company L.P. ("Sprint") petitions the South Dakota Public Service Commission ("Commission) for exemption from developing company-specific cost-based switched access rates in accordance with ARSD 20:10:27:11 as well as an exemption from ARSD 20:10:27:12 and ARSD 20:10:27:13

Sprint's Switched Access local switching composite rate (\$0.059864) was developed using the following Qwest Corporation South Dakota Access Service tariff rate elements:

Carrier Common Line	\$0.038420
Tandem-Switched fixed (10 mile band)	\$0.000273
Tandem-Switched per mile (10 mile band)	\$0.000018*10
Tandem Switching	\$0.007700
Local Switching	\$0.008610
Interconnection	\$0.004681

Sprint believes Qwest's tariff rate elements are a reasonable proxy for Sprint's costs, and the additional costs to Sprint of developing company-specific cost based intrastate switched access rates would outweigh any benefits to the consumer. Therefore, Sprint Communications Company L.P. requests the Commission enter its Order granting Sprint's request for a waiver of ARSD 20:10:27:11, ARSD 20:10:27:12 and ARSD 20:10:27:13.

Sprint respectfully requests the Commission's consideration and timely approval of Sprint Communications Company, L.P. (Sprint) South Dakota P.U.C. Tariff No. 3 which introduces intrastate access service offered by Sprint's Competitive Local Exchange Carrier (CLEC). If you have questions or need additional information regarding this filing, please, contact me.

Sincerely,

Margaret R. (Peg) Prendergast

Attachments

SD07-06 waiver